

Mike DeWine was born on January 5, 1947, and grew up in Yellow Springs, Ohio. As the son of parents and grandparents who ran a small agricultural business, he spent his youth and early adult life working in the fields and in the mill, learning the value of hard work and determination. He carried those values with him first to Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, where he graduated in 1969 with a degree in education and then to Ohio Northern University Law School, Ada, Ohio, where he graduated in 1972 with a law degree.



DeWine served as an Ohio State Senator, a four-term U.S. Congressman, and as Ohio’s 59th Lieutenant Governor. Mike DeWine was first sworn into the United States Senate on January 4, 1995, as the first Republican U.S. Senator to represent the Buckeye state in more than two decades. In 2000, he was the first Republican U.S. Senator in nearly a half-century to be re-elected to serve Ohio.



Earnest in his determination to get things done for those in need, Mike DeWine has been dubbed the “bodyguard of the poor.” He has developed a reputation in Washington for being hard working, honest, and solution-oriented.

He has immersed himself in issues that don’t necessarily grab headlines, but are vital to the well-being and prosperity of Ohioans, Americans, and citizens across the globe. Mike DeWine has become a recognized national leader in efforts to:

- o Secure the health, welfare, and safety of our children.
- o Provide our young people with the best possible education.



- o Help ease humanitarian suffering and the spread of disease around the world.
- o Improve our Nation’s ability to gather intelligence to protect us from terrorists.
- o Protect and restore unique natural areas, including the Great Lakes, for the enjoyment of future generations.

- o Promote job opportunities through an improved, user-friendly job training system.
- o Ensure law enforcement officials have access to advanced technology.
- o Stem the flow of drugs into our country.
- o Secure a balanced-budget, cut taxes, and promote economic opportunities.



Mike DeWine and his wife, Fran, who have been married for over 36 years, have eight children and eight grandchildren. As a parent, grandparent, and United States Senator, he knows that the safety and security of our children extend beyond measures to protect their immediate well-being. He knows that the world he helps to shape today is the world our children and grandchildren will inherit and remains vigilant in his work to secure our children’s future through the stabilization of countries around the world.



Through his membership on several important Senate Committees, Mike DeWine is able to work on legislative efforts that directly impact our health, safety, and security. He currently is assigned to the following Committees:

Appropriations Committee.

Senator DeWine is the first Ohio Senator in nearly six decades to serve on this Committee -- a Committee tasked with the important job of determining the use and distribution of our federal tax dollars. He also serves as Chairman of the Appropriations Subcommittee on the District of Columbia.

Judiciary Committee.

Senator DeWine is Chairman of the Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights Subcommittee. As a member of the full Judiciary Committee, he is able to work on many of his anti-crime initiatives, as well as immigration and judicial nominations.

Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) Committee.

Senator DeWine is Chairman of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Subcommittee, a position from which he is able to work on efforts to limit drug and alcohol abuse, as well as to promote vital mental health services for those in need. As a member of the full HELP Committee, he continues his mission to protect the health and welfare of children, adults, and the elderly.

Senate Select Committee on Intelligence.

The work of this Committee is key in efforts to reform our Nation’s intelligence community. Senator DeWine helped lead the Joint House-Senate Intelligence Committee investigation into our intelligence lapses and the events preceding and following September 11th. He knows that our safety and the safety of our loved ones is intrinsically linked to the quality of our intelligence, and through his membership on the Intelligence Committee, he is doing all he can to improve our information-gathering capabilities and protect us from terrorist threats.

Senator DeWine also serves as Co-Chairman of the Senate Great Lakes Task Force; the Senate Caucus on Missing, Exploited, and Runaway Children; the Senate Global AIDS Crisis Working Group; and is a member of the Senate Drug Task Force.

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